

APPLICATION FOR SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT
Louisiana State Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

APPLICATION DATE:			
APPLICANT'S NAME		TYPE OF PERMIT APPLIED FOR: <div style="text-align: right;"> Freshwater Area <input type="checkbox"/> Saltwater Area <input type="checkbox"/> </div>	
Official Title of Applicant & Institution/ Affiliation			
ADDRESS		PERMIT # ASSIGNED LAST YEAR	
CITY & STATE	ZIP	TELEPHONE : FAX: EMAIL:	
NAMES OF PERSONNEL CONDUCTING SAMPLING/COLLECTING:			
PURPOSE OF SCIENTIFIC COLLECTION: (Attach support information as appropriate)			
AREAS WHERE COLLECTIONS WILL BE MADE:			
TYPES OF GEAR OR EQUIPMENT TO BE USED AND TECHNIQUE OF DEPLOYMENT:			
TYPES AND NUMBERS OF ORGANISMS TO BE COLLECTED:			
HOW WILL SPECIMENS BE DISPOSED OF?			
I have read the terms for issuance of this scientific collecting permit and agree to abide by them.			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE	

SUBJECT: SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT

Dear Applicant:

Please review and concur on the following statement regarding the issuance of permits by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries:

"I have been advised and do understand that by applying for and accepting a permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, I am being allowed to engage in an activity which would otherwise be prohibited by law or for which a permit is required. I understand that the permit is not a license and confers no property right upon me. I specifically agree to abide by all State and Federal fish and wildlife laws and regulations, and all State and Federal laws and regulations which relate to this permit or the permitted activity, and by all other terms and conditions of this permit. I understand that the permit for which I am applying may be suspended, canceled or revoked at any time by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. I agree to immediately surrender the permit issued to me upon demand made upon me by any authorized employee of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. I understand that my failure to fully and completely comply with the laws, regulations, terms, and conditions referred to herein could result in the immediate suspension, cancellation or revocation of this and other permits issued to me by the Department and that I may be denied future permits as a consequence of my actions. I understand and agree that any permit issued to me by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is in the nature of a privilege which is being voluntarily extended to me by the Department and the failure on my part to cooperate fully and completely with the Department or its employees can result in the loss of the privilege conferred and the denial of future requests for permits. By accepting this permit, I evidence my agreement to be bound by all conditions and stipulations set forth herein."

PRINTED NAME: _____

SIGNATURE

DATE

IF THIS FORM IS NOT SIGNED AND THE ORIGINAL RETURNED WITH THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION, THIS PERMIT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

ATTACHMENT A

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT INFORMATION**

- The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries reserves the right to deny issuance of a scientific collecting permit to an individual who has been convicted of, or is awaiting disposition of, a citation involving a Class 2 wildlife and fisheries violation or greater.
- Permittee is limited to the personnel, purpose of collections, sampling areas, gear types and sampling techniques, and types and numbers of organisms to be collected, as indicated on the scientific collecting permit application. Any requested deviation will require Department approval.
- Permit will not allow anyone to use chemicals which are not approved for use in Louisiana by other state and federal agencies or exempt permit holder from any regulations by other state or federal agencies.
- Permittee is responsible for obtaining the proper applicator's licenses when using restricted use pesticides and other restricted use chemicals in aquatic sampling. The use of any chemicals must be fully described in the application.
- All permits shall expire on December 31 of the year of issue unless otherwise noted. The Administrator may impose time limits and other restrictions on the duration of any collection permit.
- An annual report giving a detailed description and inventory of all specimens collected is due within 60 days following expiration of permit. If no collections are made during a particular year, then a report should be submitted stating such. Permits are subject to cancellation if no report is received for prior year collections.

Information to be included in annual report:

1. Name and permit number of the collector.
 2. Name and location of each area, stream, or lake where collections were made.
 3. Date(s) of collection at each site or area.
 4. Number and/or weight of each species taken (list by collection site or area and date of collection).
 5. Method of collection.
 6. Disposition of all animals taken.
- The appropriate regional law enforcement captain must be notified no later than 24 hours prior to sampling, with information including scientific collecting permit number, organization, name(s) of permittees, sampling area(s) and specific gear to be used. In addition, if electrofishing gear or fish toxicants are to be used, the permittee must provide date and estimated time of sampling, specific sampling areas, and routes to be taken to these areas. The district fisheries biologist will also be notified prior to sampling with electrofishing gear or fish toxicants.
 - A scientific collecting permit application that includes the proposed usage of electrofishing gear or fish toxicants for use in public waters by a non-educational or non-governmental entity must be accompanied by a letter of support by an involved state or federal governmental agency.
 - Any proposed use of electrofishing gear or fish toxicants requires the written concurrence of the Enforcement Division as well as the Inland and/or Marine Fisheries Divisions.
 - The use of explosives will normally not be permitted. Applicant must demonstrate to the Department's satisfaction that no other effective means are available to collect aquatic organisms. Any proposed use of explosives requires the written concurrence of the Enforcement Division as well as the Inland and/or Marine Fisheries Divisions.
 - Sale of any organisms collected under the permit or their progeny, is prohibited.
 - No item collected under the permit may be used for human consumption.
 - *Permit holders shall contact the Enforcement Division of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (Captain Jeff Mayne (225) 765-2980) in regards to the disposition of these samples. If donated for official use a receipt will be issued. Enforcement Division may authorize other means of final disposition.*
 - One of the permittees must be in the company of the samples at all times. Permits are non-transferable but may be issued in more than one person's name.
 - Student requests will require endorsement of professor. Apply on official college or university stationery.
 - Alligators are not permitted to be taken with the permit.
 - Permits will not be issued for collection of any rare or endangered species unless specifically approved.

For more information please contact:

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